

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 8, line 18 with the following amended paragraph.

The feeder 10 further includes a cover or door 90 pivotally connected to the housing 12 adjacent the housing side wall 30 and the housing upper end 82. The cover 90 is selectively moveable between (i) a closed position wherein the tray 80 and the wire advancing mechanism 14 are covered and/or enclosed and (ii) an open position wherein the tray 80 and the wire advancing mechanism are accessible. The cover 90 includes a tray portion 90a that closes an open end of the tray 80 when the cover 90 is in its closed position to prevent egress of items resting in the tray ~~[[90]]~~ 80.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 8, line 26 with the following amended paragraph.

Remaining portions of the cover 90, including vertical portions 90b,90c and end portions 90d,90e, cooperate with the housing ~~[[10]]~~ 12 to cover or enclose the wire advancing mechanism 14. The vertical portions 90b,90c encloses a side of the mechanism 14 that is opposite the dividing wall 28. The end portions 90d,90e cooperate with end wall portions 22b,24b to enclose respective ends of the wire advancing mechanism. The cover portions 90a,90b,90c,90d,90e are arranged so that when the cover 90 is in the open position, the portions are remotely spaced from the wire advancing mechanism 14 which allows relatively easy and/or ample access thereto. In one preferred embodiment, the cover 90 is formed from 14 GA steel but, of course, the cover could be constructed of alternate materials. Moreover, in the preferred embodiment, the portion 90c includes a handle 92 for opening and closing the cover 90.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 10, line 4 with the following amended paragraph.

In particular, the tray 106 includes a base wall 114 and a plurality of upstanding side walls 116. The elevated member 108 generally extends from the base wall 114 in a direction generally parallel to the side walls 116 of the tray 106. The elevated

member 108 includes a vertical or router portion 108a and a horizontal portion 108b which is bolted to the housing 12. The router portion 108a includes a plurality of vertically spaced holes 118 for organizing and routing cables and/or wires connected to the housing 12. In the illustrated embodiment, the router portion 108a includes three holes 118 through which the power cable 54, the control cable 60 and the gas hose ~~[[58]]~~ 62 each respectively pass. Although not illustrated, the support 102 can optionally include a gun holder for the gun 20 when not being used for welding.